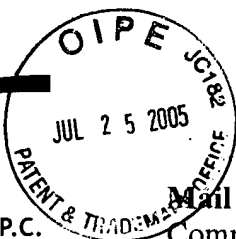


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Dear Commissioner:

The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- Credit Card Payment Form (1 page)
- Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Form (1 page, in duplicate)
- Preliminary Amendment (5 pages)
- Clean version of amended paragraphs (2 pages)
- Substitute/Formal Drawings (15 pages)
- Information Disclosure Statement By Applicant (4 pages)
- 39 Art References
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Applicants hereby request continued examination following the decision of the Examiner in the Final Office Action dated November 24, 2004 and the Advisory Action dated June 9, 2005. Applicants filed a Response and Amendment on January 24, 2005, which was refused entry by the Examiner. Applicants respectfully request entry of the Response and Amendment at this time.

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The Preliminary Amendment includes fifteen sheets of Formal Drawings (in duplicate). Sheets 4 and 5 are Replacement Sheets and the revisions are discussed in the section of the Preliminary Amendment entitled "Amendments to the Drawings."

Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on May 24, 2005. As July 24, 2005 fell on a Sunday, this Request is timely filed and no additional fees for extensions of time are believed to be due. Should this conclusion be erroneous, this correspondence shall serve as a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply. The necessary large entity fees may be charged to the credit card indicated on the attached Credit Card Payment Form (authorizing payment of the RCE fee), or secondarily, to Deposit Account No. 50-3137.

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